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Powell and Wolfe Together.

Powell and Wolfe counties were placed together to form the 91st district. We thought for a time that we were in with Montgomery. We were pleased with Montgomery and are equally as well pleased with Wolfe. We regret also to leave Estill. While Estill's Republican majority always gave us Republican Representatives. The ones chosen by our Republican friends have generally been very satisfactory. In fact the two last Representatives, Mr. E. B. McGlone and Mr. Clarence Miller, have each been very acceptable to us, and is very doubtful if the Democrats could have named men that would have been better.

We are in a Democratic district now and it is a foregone conclusion that an agreement will be reached whereby the members of the Legislature will be selected first from one county and then the other.

Flour Men Here But No Flour.

J. H. Dawson and Jack Thomas, both of Winchester, and both of them flour salesmen for the Winchester Roller Mills and the Woolcott Roller Mills, Lexington, respectively, were in the city Monday. Each of them said the flour situation was getting worse every day, the allotments getting less each week to customers, with prospects of all the flour being off the market before wheat harvest. The allowance is now one and one-half pounds per person per week.

Potato Week.

Beginning April 7th the U. S. Food administration Kentucky division has set apart this week as potato week in Kentucky and ask all house wives as far as circumstances permit to use potatoes three times a day in order to save all bread stuffs possible, also so long as present conditions continue. The only special restriction asked regarding the conservation of meats are the beefless and porkless Tuesday. The meatless and porkless Saturday are no longer asked.

Moving Temporarily.

Dr. Easter is moving to Winchester for the summer. He has a very large practice in Clark County so he is moving there to take care of this practice this summer, but will return to his home here in the late fall. The Doctor has no idea of changing his residence, hence he will be here this fall to cast his ballot under the rooster as formerly.

Sells More Fords.

A. T. Whitt, the Ford agent, sold four machines this week as follows: Leonard Patrick, Vaughn's Mill; S. R. Curtis, Clay City; C. N. Crowe, Rosslyn; H. S. Russell, Clay City. This makes thirty-three machines for Powell and most all of them Fords, which is the only practical car for the roads of this county.

Church Services.

Evening preaching service at the United Presbyterian Church at 7:30 P. M. Sabbath, April 7th. The Theme will be "Vision Training in the School of Christ." Bible School at 10 A. M. Bring your friends.

Building Good Road.

H. G. Crabtree and associates are building a fine road out from the river ford. The public road is so steep, that for a number of years past J. B. Eaton has permitted the public to use a passway through an adjoining lot. This passway is very narrow and is cutting a deep channel out around a tenant house. Mr. Eaton therefore saw fit to close this passway but tendered the public the necessary right of way to build as good a road as he was taking. Mr. Crabtree and others grasped this opportunity to get a good road into town and are now working it to a finish.

We Lose Valuable Help.

E. F. Harris, who has been working in the Times office since the first of the year as an apprentice, has quit us and gone to work on the farm to try to raise something to eat. We regret to lose Mr. Harris as he was truly a fine gentleman and of very pleasant disposition. He will probably be back with us after crop season next fall, but just what we are to do for help until then is a puzzle to us.

Local Boy Advances.

S. E. Johnson, who joined the band in his enlistment with the navy last Summer, and entered as second class musician has been promoted to first class musician. His band has been one designated to sail with one of the battleships to foreign land and waters. Mr. Johnson writes his home folks that he expects to soon be off.

L. & N. Patriotic.

The L. & N. Railroad has leased all of their vacant lots, and parts of right-of-way in Clay City to be tilled for garden and truck patches. This is for the benefit of their employees who now have time to work these patches in the afternoons, since the clock has been set ahead an hour.

To Build New Shop.

John Kimbrell, Clay City's expert mechanic and blacksmith, has purchased a lot from A. T. Whitt adjoining his garage, and is preparing to erect thereon a commodious building for shop with wood working department. This will be an excellent location for such business.

To attend Funeral.

Mr. Schooler Estes and family, of Quicksand, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Rose. They came here to attend the funeral of Mrs. Alice Rose Wednesday. Mrs. Estes being a sister to the deceased and a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Rose.

Supervisors in Session.

The County Board of Supervisors are in session this week hearing complaints from the different firms and corporations that have been raised by them. But very few of them, however, can furnish the necessary evidence, for property in this county has so advanced that one hardly knows how much they have got if put into dollars and cents. The trouble is the value of dollars and cents is off from 50 to 75 per cent, leaving us just where we started from.

The Road Situation.

Nearly every day we are asked by some one as to when work will be resumed on our road; and if it is going to be built at all. To this we answer we feel sure it will. The Fiscal Court is doing all in its power to get things moving, but it is hung up just now waiting to see if Harris & Myers, the old contractors, are going to do the work. So far the Court has been unable to here from them. The road was to have been completed Nov. 1, 1917. The contract provides that when work is unnecessarily delayed, the Commissioner of Public Roads shall so notify the Fiscal Court to this effect. The Court is eager and anxious to relet the work if Harris & Myers are not going to do it. The fact that road Commissioner Wiley has not given our Court the necessary notice to enable them to act, is the sole reason now for the delay in reletting the work. Mr. Wiley we are sure is acting to the best interest of the road as he sees it, but our people are becoming impatient, and will object to the collection of another years road tax unless more work is done.

Kentucky Eighth in Corn.

Kentucky is exceeded in the production of corn by only seven other states in the Union. It is therefore very important that farmers see that their seed corn is good. They tell us that often the corn looks good when it really is very bad. And this year it is more that way than ever before. There is no harm in testing our corn anyway.

Young People Entertained.

Miss Ethel Duncan and Harry O'Rear entertained a number of friends Saturday evening from 7 till 10:30 o'clock in honor of Miss Fannie Mize.

Those present were Misses Lula Johnson, Hally Rogers, Ruth Eaton and Fannie Mize. Messrs. Austin Johnson, Shelby Martin and Chas. Duncan.

Mrs. Butler Rose Dies Suddenly.

Mrs. Alice Rose, wife of Butler Rose, died at Quicksand April 1st, of acute indigestion. Remains were brought here Tuesday and taken to the Hoskin graveyard at Edward Rose's for burial. Funeral services at the grave by the Rev. L. T. Allison. Three little girls and her husband survives.

Fiscal Court Meets.

The April term of the Powell Fiscal Court convened in Stanton Tuesday morning and transacted considerable business. The Court adjourned with the one days work till next Monday morning when it will take up the road situation which seems to have due attention from this Court.

Dr. Martin Buys Farm.

Dr. Wm. C. Martin has purchased of Mrs. Fannie Williams her farm of 75 acres near the mouth of Black Creek for \$2,000. This was formerly the Poor house farm and belonged to the county. The Doctor will improve the place and hold it as an investment.

Rosecoe Bowman sold a span of mules to some parties on Hardwick's Creek for \$500.

STANTON.

(By P. O. Derthick.)

Virgil Atkinson was a business visitor to Stanton this week.

Uncle Ben Hall is able to mingle out again with his friends.

The Fiscal Court met Tuesday of this week to transact business.

W. S. Raydure, an oil magnate of Irvine, was in Stanton Tuesday.

A. H. Rose, of Argyle, was a business visitor to Stanton Tuesday.

A. T. Stewart has been getting in some new office furniture the past week.

Mrs. James Martin, of Cat Creek, has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Guy Crowe.

Dr. A. T. Knox and wife, of Montgomery county, were here visiting this past week.

Miss Mamie Derickson has been sick this past week with a touch of her former trouble, appendicitis.

Mrs. Lena Boyd, who is visiting Mrs. Joseph Cuff, was a business visitor to Lexington last Saturday.

Little Anna Jane, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Blackburn, has been quite sick this past week, but is much better now.

Mrs. Mollie Crawford accompanied her sister, Mrs. Ben Sewell, back to Jackson when they returned Sunday night, but returned Tuesday.

Mrs. Helen Jackson and her son have returned to their home in Louisville. Lee has returned from Florence, N. C. and has accepted a position with Beiknaps Hardware Co.

Mrs. Lucy Jackson has been on the sick list for several days the past week. She will soon feel better for Bob Stone and Charley Rice have done a fine job of papering in the house.

Mrs. Wagoner, of Virginia, has returned to her home after a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Joseph Cuff. She was accompanied by her grandchild, Anna Cuff, who will visit for a while.

Mrs. Sarah Blackburn, who has been spending the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Martelle Thomas in Jacksonville, Fla., is expected home the last of this week. Mrs. Blackburn will find a cordial welcome awaiting her.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hardwick had all of their children home for Sunday dinner last Sunday. Those there were Mrs. Mollie Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Cowgill and baby, Miss Bessie Hardwick, of Lexington and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Sewell and baby, of Jackson.

The two Kilburn girls returned to their home last Saturday. They were accompanied by Miss Helen Vollmer, of Clay City, to spend over Sunday. Abbie will not return to finish the term out as her mother is sick. Somebody please see that Victor Stephens has plenty of sympathy and does not get lonesome till school time next year.

Mrs. Brownlow Thompson, and two of her children from Blackey, visited her parents, Uncle Jack

Important New Road Law.

For years the people have been complaining about the destructive agency of automobiles on Public Highways, yet very little thought has been given to the fact that heavy loads on narrow steel tired vehicles do more damage than motor vehicles.

Practically every state in the Union that has any roads has laws regulating the weight that can be hauled on certain width of tires. Engineers can design and build roads to withstand any loads but the cost would be enormous and it is considered more economical to build roads to carry reasonable loads. Inasmuch as the roads are the peoples property they should not be disposed to destroy their own property. The 1918 session of the Legislature has passed a law which limits the load that can be hauled on any kind of vehicle. It is practically the same law that is in effect in all states that have laws on the subject. No one is required to purchase a new wagon but simply to limit the loads hauled on the wagons they now possess.

On wagons the following amounts can be hauled depending on the width of tire. The amount includes the load and also the weight of the vehicle:

1 1/2 inch tires	3,000 lbs.
1 3/4 " "	3,500 "
2 " "	4,000 "
2 1/4 " "	4,400 "
2 1/2 " "	4,800 "
2 3/4 " "	5,200 "
3 " "	5,600 "
3 1/4 " "	6,000 "
3 1/2 " "	6,400 "
3 3/4 " "	6,800 "
4 " "	7,200 "

Above 4 inches add 400 pounds for each quarter of an inch in width of tires.

It is easily seen that more pressure is allowed than is produced by a twelve ton road roller in building the road.

The bill also limits to 800 pounds per inch width of tire the amount that can be hauled on motor trucks equipped with rubber tires. As an example, if a motor truck is equipped with tires five inches wide, sixteen thousand pounds could be hauled including the weight of the truck. More is allowed on rubber tires than on steel tires because rubber tires being more or less soft and not so destructive provided the vehicle is not driven too fast. The law also specifies that trucks cannot be operated at a greater speed than fifteen miles per hour and when the weight is in excess of six tons the speed must be reduced to eight miles per hour with iron tires and twelve miles per hour with rubber tires.

The speed of automobiles shall not exceed twenty-five miles per hour.

Persons violating any of the provisions of the Act are subject to a fine of not less than \$15.00 nor more than \$100.00 and it is the duty of the Courts and all Peace Officers to enforce the law and when the Officers, when properly informed, fail to enforce the law they are subject to a fine of not less than \$50.00 nor more than \$100.00.

All fines go to the credit of the road fund in the county or the street fund in the city or village depending upon where the offense is committed.

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